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SUBJECT: DESCRIPTION OF SOVIET GRAIN HARVEST

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1. LENINGRAD PROPAGANDIST IN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, PRESENTATION SPOKE IN VERY GLOOMY TERMS ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR THIS YEAR'S SOVIET GRAIN HARVEST. ALTHOUGH HE AVOIDED CONCRETE ESTIMATE, HE NOTED UNHAPPILY THAT "SPECIALISTS NOW SAY THIS YEAR'S CROP WILL BE AT ABOUT SAME LEVEL OF 1972 -- A TERRIBLE YEAR."

2. IT APPEARS THAT OFFICIAL PROPAGANDA LINE HERE ON GRAIN HARVEST IS NO LONGER ATTEMPTING TO PULL ANY PUNCHES. PEOPLE ARE NOW ON NOTICE THAT CROP WILL BE POOR IN ANY EVENT. SPEAKER ALSO REFERRED TWICE TO PRESENCE IN MOSCOW OF U.S. DELEGATION FOR DISCUSSIONS ON GRAIN SALES TO SOVIET UNION, AND NOTED THAT THERE WAS "CONTROVERSY" IN U.S. OVER CONSEQUENCES OF SUCH SALES. NEUBERT

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